

THE CHADWICK CASE

Motion Made to Discharge

Prisoner from Custody

NOW BEING ARGUED

JURY EXCUSED WHILE JUDGE

WING MAKES PLEA.

Testimony of Bank Officials Does Not

Agree—Question of Credit in

the Oberlin Bank.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, March 9.—T. C. Doolittle, the bookkeeping expert called yesterday as the first witness for the defense, occupied the witness stand when the trial of Mrs. Chadwick was resumed this morning.

He testified that the entries of \$10,000 and \$5,000 on the books of the Oberlin Bank, dated November 2, 1903, were items of credit to Mrs. Chadwick.

Similar entries on the discount register showed that the two items were regarded by the bank as being to the credit of Mrs. Chadwick. November 16, 1903, the journal showed the entry of a note of \$10,000. This did not appear on the discount register, but the journal entry showed, according to the witness, that Mrs. Chadwick was entitled to that day to \$10,000, either in cash or credit. Other entries on that date showed that an item of \$10,000 was deposited, though it was not specified by whom.

The cash of Mrs. Chadwick was given Mrs. Chadwick on that day, the entries were entire and covered the transactions in a proper manner.

This witness testified that the certified check account on the ledger did not show any of the checks he mentioned had been issued to Mrs. Chadwick.

On cross-examination the witness admitted that on the date that \$10,000 was entered on the journal, as being to the credit of Mrs. Chadwick, the journal entry showed the same amount credited to the account of Oberlin College. The witness could not state, however, whether it was the same transaction or not.

A. B. Marshall, vice president of the First National Bank, was called to identify the signature of Mrs. Chadwick on six notes which had been paid by her.

On cross-examination he stated that in banking usage the number identifying a note should correspond with the number on the bank's discount register. Two of the notes had been properly numbered and four of them had not.

This evidence was directly opposed to the direct testimony of Assistant Cashier Avery and Receiver Lyon of the Oberlin Bank, who said that Mrs. Chadwick had neither money nor credit at the bank at the time any of the certified checks were issued.

Mrs. Doolittle was reconciled for a few moments to testify to some insignificant details in connection with the notes and Judge Wing then declared:

"That is all, your honor, we rest our case."

"Is there any rebuttal?" asked Judge Taylor.

"There is none, your honor," said District Attorney Sullivan, and the case, so far as the testimony was concerned, was over.

He was announced to Judge Taylor by the attorneys for Mrs. Chadwick that they desired to enter a motion directing a verdict for the defendant. Pending the evidence of the jury was dismissed with instructions to return at 1:30 p.m.

Judge Wing asked that the case be taken from the jury and a verdict acquitting the defendant be ordered by the court, on the ground that the indictment did not charge an offense, and the evidence did not prove that she had committed an offense against the United States.

The arguments by Judge Wing in support of his motion, and that of District Attorney Sullivan in opposition, lasted throughout the remainder of the morning session.

What Indictment Charges.

The indictment against Mrs. Chadwick charges her with "conspiracy to commit an offense against the United States" by illegally certifying checks of the Oberlin bank.

The attorneys for the defendant made the words "to commit" the point of attack. They contended that Mrs. Chadwick was not an official of the bank, and it was impossible for her to certify checks. It was contended that she conspired with others to commit an offense which it was impossible for her to commit as an individual.

FIRE UNDER PALACE.

Coal and Wood Cellars at Potsdam in a Blaze.

BERLIN, March 9.—Fire broke out at 3 o'clock this morning in the extensive coal and wood cellars under a wing of the new palace at Potsdam. The flames were extinguished after six hours' work by the Potsdam fire department. Two firemen were severely burned.

The fire occurred in a cellars in Berlin at the time the fire occurred.

MISSOURI SENATORSHIP.

No Additional Break Marked the Ballot Today.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., March 9.—There was no additional break in the vote for United States senator today. The ballot, for the forty-second, resulted: Cockrell, 70; Niedringhaus, 57; Kerens, 15; Barthold, 5; Warner, 2; Dyer, 1; Lyons, 1; McKinley, 5. Total, 162 votes; necessary to a choice, 82.

PROBABLY NOT CORRECT.

Rumor in Labor Circles of Demand for General Increase in Pay.

There has been a report in circulation to the effect that a general demand for an increase in wages will be made by the building trades of the District May 1. This report was investigated today by a Star reporter, and the only apparent foundation for it appeared to be the statement that the bricklayers have entered into a new wage scale with the bosses, while the paperhangers' union has appointed a committee to report upon the advisability of demanding more pay.

At the headquarters of the carpenters and painters the statement was made this afternoon that the trades had not given any consideration as yet to any proposed increase in pay or decrease in the hours of labor. Whether they will or not could not be learned.

It is expected that the active building season will begin in a few days, and the business agents of the several trades here intend to start the season with a boom.

THE NEW SWISS MINISTER.

Dr. Vogel Will Be Presented to the President Tomorrow.

Mr. Leo Vogel, the new Swiss minister, has arrived in Washington and called at the State Department today to pay his respects to Secretary Hay. He will be presented to the President at the White House tomorrow. Mr. Vogel succeeds Mr. Fernand du Marthay, who has been transferred to a diplomatic post in Europe.

The affairs of the Swiss legation have been taken over by Mr. Ernst Probst, the secretary of the legation, and charge d'affaires ad interim. Dr. Vogel, who is a native of Zurich, has been in the Swiss diplomatic service for fifteen years. He was for a time secretary of legation in Washington and has been charge d'affaires at different European capitals.

VIOLENT REPRESSION

RUSSIAN OFFICIALS HAVE

ADOPTED STERN MEASURES.

Special Dispatch to The Evening Star.

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Two workmen were killed at the Odokov works in St. Petersburg.

Assassin's Princely Connections.

A cablegram from St. Petersburg says: The correspondent of Petite Journal declares that the assassin of Grand Duke Sergius was found to be a member of a princely family connected with the Obolensky. This is the reason for the concealment of his name by the authorities and for the explanation of the Grand Duchess Elizabeth paid to him in his cell.

Fatal Clash of Strikers.

ST. PETERSBURG, March 9.—A telegram from Ekaterinovsk, south Russia, says that five miners have been killed and fifteen wounded in a conflict between strikers of the Shoberhoff mines and the Auerbach quicksilver mines and soldiers.

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The names of the victims are: George Haas, Anthony and Michael Janosky, Anthony Gallos, Stanley Blandis, Adam Kantosky and Anthony Josephus.

STUDENTS TO DEBATE.

Arrangements Made by George Washington University for the Debate Between the Society of the George Washington University Law School has been arranged for tomorrow night at 8 o'clock in University Hall. The debate, it is expected, will be one of the most interesting ever held between the two clubs. The question selected is whether the United States should be established for the punishment of wife beaters. The Columbia society has the affirmative and the Needhamites will defend the negative.

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CHINESE AT WANKOW

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The Tokyo report that the railroad is actually in the hands of the Japanese is still open. It is the contrary of the telegraph communication with General Kuropatkin is still open.

The losses already exceed those of any battle of the war.

The fanaticism displayed by the Japanese is shown by an instance mentioned by a Russian correspondent, who describes how a captured Japanese broke away from his captors and threw himself headforemost into the flames.

While the defeat of Kuropatkin has revived the talk of peace, it is too early yet to measure its full effect. If Kuropatkin succeeds in driving his army, no matter how badly shattered, the war office insists that the situation will be unchanged, and the Japanese will be forced to retreat.

Reported That West Front Is Broken.

In diplomatic circles unless Ouyama has crushed the Russian army little hope is held out that the imperial resolution to continue the war will be altered. Much, it is agreed, will depend upon the internal developments which follow when the full magnitude of the reverse is known.

The most important known development of the day is the report that a flying Japanese column has appeared northeast of Mukden, and is heading rapidly west. This probably is part of the Russian staff of which is making a detour by forced marches and swinging around to effect a junction with Gen. Nogai. If the maneuver succeeds the net will be closed.

It is said here that General Kuropatkin has his headquarters staff at Pan-Kiatung, and is on the railroad, ten miles below Tie Pass.

The general staff admits that the carnage of the battle was probably exceeding anything in modern warfare, although the staff officers insist that the Japanese must have sustained the heaviest losses. The Russians believe they surely will reach 50,000.

Admit Attack on North Front.

The general staff has received the following dispatch from General Sakharoff, General Kuropatkin's chief of staff, dated today:

"Several fierce attacks on our north front were made during the night. They were all repulsed.

"In other directions the night was quiet."

General Sakharoff's reference to the Russian "north front" would seem to indicate that a Japanese force is between Mukden and the Japanese lines. It is possible that the telegraph lines along the railroad, it is possible that field telegraph lines have been run between Fushun, where Kuropatkin may have his headquarters, and Tie Pass, thus accounting for the seeming conflict in the advices from Tokyo and St. Petersburg regarding the severance of the Russian line of communications.

RUSSIANS ABANDONED VILLAGE.

Japanese Attacked and Occupied Pudiassa Yesterday.

MUKDEN, March 9, 2:30 a.m.—The Japanese yesterday attacked the village of Pudiassa, northwest of the imperial tombs, and a stubborn fight followed, but the Russian advanced guard was obliged to abandon the village.

During the night the Japanese attacked the village of Santaike, north of the imperial tombs. The fight continues as this dispatch is filed.